

REMARKS

The courtesy of the interview held February 7, 2001 with Examiner Wu is appreciated.

As set forth in the Examiner interview summary record, an agreement was reached with respect to amendments to claim 1 that avoid rejections advanced in the November 7, 2000 Office Action. Accordingly, the amendments discussed with the Examiner are now formally presented by this amendment.

Since claims 5-7 are already allowed and claim 1 is amended for allowance, Notice of Allowance is courteously solicited.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 07-1337 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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